Europe - a unique fusion chamber churning out civilisations and arts, science and modern medicine.

For almost 50 years this continent was divided right through its heart.

How did this separation affect neurology? How could it be overcome? What do we need to build a truly European neurology?

Professor Gerstenbrand is one of the fathering figures of European neurology. Born in the geographical centre of Europe, growing up in a country between the East and the West, he put overwhelming energy into European reunification.

Who could better answer our questions?

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